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Subject: . BROWN & WILLIAMSON - RECONSTITUTED TOBACCO

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During a routine microscopical examination of Brown & Williamson cigarette products from April manufactured dates, we noticed that Barclay 85 and 100, Richland 85 and 100, Raleigh Lights 85, and Viceroy Lights 85 contained a recon that was unusually light in color. This sheet is made by the papermaking process and it contains tobacco leaf and stem. Microscopic blend separation showed that the percentage of recon in the blends did not change.

Since September, 1978, Brown & Williamson has used one type of reconstituted product. It is made by the papermaking process, is light colored and it contains tobacco leaf and stem as well as softwood fibers. All other Brown & Williamson brands still contain this type of reconstituted sheet.

We will continue to monitor the Brown & Williamson brands for further changes.

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